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SUBJ: ARTICLES IN LONDON "TIMES"

1. INVITE ADDRESSEES' ATTENTION TO JANUARY 7 ISSUE OF LONDON "TIMES". UNDER TITLE, "CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S GIANT STEP BACK TO PERSECUTION", PAPER RUNS LONG OPEN LETTER FROM KSC EXPELLEE KAREL KAPLAN TO VASIL BILAK, IN RESPONSE TO LATTER'S INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN CPUSA "DAILY WORLD". KAPLAN LETTER IS ACCCOMPANIED BY EDITORIAL ENTITLED, "UNREPENTANT CZECHOSLOVAKIA".

2. PERHAPS MMRE THAN COINCIDENTALLY, THESE ATTACKS ON CZECHOSLOVAK REGIME APPEAR IN AN ISSUE OF THE "TIMES" WHICH ALSO CONTAINS A SPECIAL FOUR-PAGE ADVERTISING SUPPLEMENT PREPARED BY BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT ON OCCASION OF OPENING OF THRACIAN ART EXHIBIT AT BRITISH MUSEUM. PRESENCE OF SUPPLEMENT WILL PRESUMABLY LEAD TO AN INCREASED SALE OF THIS ISSUE IN EE (OR AT LEAST BULGARIAN) CULTURAL CIRCLES BOTH IN LONDON AND IN EASTERN EUROPE.

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